

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1757 - SB 2303

January 28, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands reporting requirements with regards to death certificates. Defines “maternal mortality” as the death of a woman while pregnant or within forty-two days after the end of the pregnancy, irrespective of the duration and site of the pregnancy, from any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or its management but not from accidental or incidental causes. Requires the administrator of a hospital or other individual authorized to make a determination and pronouncement of death, as appropriate, to report to the Department of Health the death of any woman whose death was related to maternal mortality. The administrator or other appropriate person is required to provide a place on the death certificate where the medical examiner or other appropriate person can indicate that the death of the woman was related to maternal mortality.

Requires the Department of Health to maintain data on maternal mortality, including the number of deaths reported by county, race, and any additional information the Department deems necessary and shall include such data on Department’s web site. Authorizes the Department to use death certificates created by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- According to the Department of Health, Office of Vital Records, the Office can meet the requirements of this bill utilizing existing staff during regular work hours.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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